

Nixon Dramatically Devalues Dollar

U.S. Exports Will Be Cheaper

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Nixon has devalued the dollar by 10 per cent in a dramatic move to calm troubled world money markets and restore confidence in the battered U.S. currency.

Nixon's decision, announced at a late Monday night news conference by Treasury Secretary George P. Shultz, marked the second dollar devaluation in 14 months. It swept aside a world currency agreement reached in December 1971.

Although the devaluation was widely expected as a result of tumultuous monetary disruptions on money-exchange markets in the past few weeks, few thought it would be so large.

Shultz told newsmen that the move, combined with two other key trade and monetary actions, would benefit the U.S. consumer, workingman and businessman.

The immediate impact of a devaluation is to raise the price of imports from foreign countries. But, because the dollar is now cheaper in relation to other currencies, prices of U.S. exports will be less.

The devaluation will be achieved formally by raising the official price of gold from its present \$38 an ounce to \$42.22. Although this will take an act of Congress, the dollar depreciation will take place immediately in foreign money markets.

There are two ways of looking at the percentage of the devaluation. The rise in the gold price amounts to a little more than 11 per cent. But the percentage depreciation of the dollar from the old par value on exchange markets—in relation to "paper gold" or Special Drawing Rights—comes out to 10 per cent.

Shultz also announced that Japan's currency, the yen, will float, meaning that it will find its own value in the marketplace. He said the expectation is that the yen will rise in value even more than 10 per cent.



LONG WAIT IS OVER: John Hestand, left, 21, and his sister, Cheryl Ann Hestand, 18, embrace their mother, Mrs. Bonnie Thiel, right, in their home at Justice, Ill., suburb south of Chicago, after hearing news that their brother and son, Army Warrant Officer, James H. Hestand, had arrived safely at Clark Air Force Base with other POWs released in Hanoi Monday. (AP Wirephoto)

Hostages Freed After Dallas Siege

DALLAS, Tex. (AP) — Two teen-age gunmen, surrounded by nearly 100 officers, surrendered this morning about an hour after releasing the last of 22 hostages they took more than eight hours earlier.

The two walked out of the bar where they had been trapped during a robbery attempt at 8:46 a.m. EST after a police detective told them: "You will be safer in jail than here."

One of the two, Milton Allen Frank, 18, identified by police as an escapee from a state mental hospital, asked for a few minutes to talk to his father in Las Vegas. Both talked to an attorney brought to the bar in northeast Dallas earlier.

Then they surrendered without resistance, Frank coming out first. There were no reports of any shots fired by either side during the night. The boys were reported heavily armed.

They had released the last six hostages at 7:25 a.m. after the police detective promised: "I give you my word, we are not going to raid the place."

Hot Showers, American Food First Full Day Of Freedom For POWs

CLARK AIR BASE, Philippines (AP) — The United States' newly released prisoners of war were signing valentines today, swapping war stories and enjoying hot showers and American food as officials worked to prepare them for a quick trip home.

The 142 men who arrived here Monday following their release in Hanoi and the jungles of South Vietnam woke just after dawn to begin their first full day of freedom.

The day was filled with medical checks, administrative processing, phone calls home and measuring for new uniforms to get ready for a flight, possibly Thursday or Friday, to Travis Air Force Base in California.

Medical officers at Clark's 250-bed hospital — where the men, dressed in blue pajamas, were being processed — said the returnees were in high spirits and in generally good physical condition.

Despite the routine of processing, the wards were described as scenes of exuberance with the men enjoying the heady feeling of being back among their own after years in confinement. One senior officer described the men as "tigers."

By midday, 61 of the returnees had been issued new uniforms and 72 had completed calls to their families. Under the Operation Homecoming plan, each man was to be allowed one 15-minute call. But Air Force Maj. Robert Daugherty talked 40 minutes with his wife in Colorado Springs, Colo.

One source said a number of men were signing valentines for dependent school children on this sprawling American base to thank them for the numerous colorful "Welcome Home" signs they put on the hospital walls.

Despite previous warnings the men would not want to talk about their prison experiences, medical officers said many stayed up until 4 a.m. exchanging tales about their confinement and joking about it.

\$7 Trillion For Clean Water?

FARMINGTON, Mich. (AP) — An official of the metal industry estimates it will cost industry "a cool \$7 trillion" by 1985 to meet strict new regulations prohibiting the discharge of waste from manufacturing plants into the nation's waterways.

William D. Manly, president of the American Society for Metals, made the estimate in a speech to the society's Detroit chapter in this northwest Detroit suburb.

Manly said the metal industry would have to spend \$316 billion in meeting "zero discharge" from its foundries, a goal set by the 1972 Clean Water Act.

He said millions more would be spent to control air pollution from foundries.

He said 300 foundries — 20 per cent of the nation's total — have gone out of business because they could not meet pollution control standards.

Manly blamed the closings on "governmental interference and environmental hysteria."

State officials have said many foundry closings affected "marginal operation with major pollution problems."



SURRENDERS: Milton Allen Frank, 18, (left), is led from the Inner Circle Lounge in Dallas, Tex., by two policemen after he and a companion, Robert Gordon, in background wearing white shirt, surrendered this morning after holding 22 hostages for nearly 12 hours. The pair barricaded the lounge and held the patrons and owner hostage after an aborted holdup. (AP Wirephoto)



DOLLAR GOES DOWN: Treasury Secretary George Shultz announces Monday night at a Washington news conference the dollar has been devalued by 10 per cent in an effort to solve the international monetary crisis. (AP Wirephoto)

Savings For Consumer

New Support Given Chemical Drug Law

DETROIT (AP) — A nonprofit public interest group has joined the Michigan Pharmaceutical Association in supporting a proposed law which could cut drug costs in half by allowing the substitution of the chemical name of a drug for its brand name.

The Michigan Citizens Lobby has come out in support of legislation sponsored by State Rep. Joseph Forbes, D-Oak Park, saying the consumer would save 50 per cent of his drug cost.

MCL Director Douglas Ross estimated 80 per cent of all prescriptions call for brand name drugs, which the MCL says are more expensive. He said if applied annually, the proposed law would save consumers \$1 billion.

Forbes' bill, which is scheduled to be introduced this week, would permit pharmacists to fill prescriptions using a lower-priced generic (general or chemical name) drug in place of its brand-name equivalent.

MCL said a survey of 50 drug stores in the Detroit metropolitan area showed some brand name drugs cost up to three times more than the generic type.

For example, MCL said 100 tablets of the tranquilizer meprobamate sold for \$2.95, while its brand name brother—Equanil—sold the same number for \$8.50.

"We want the pharmacist to give the cheapest brand available," Ross said.

"This bill would transform the pharmacist from being a

selling agent for drug companies to being a purchasing agent for consumers," said Robert Smith, another MCL spokesman.

The state antitrust law, which now prohibits pharmacists from using generic drugs in place of brand names, has been an economic yoke on the necks of pharmacists and consumers," he said.

Patients can presently ask their doctors to use generic names for prescriptions.

Smith said pharmacists favor repealing the 21-year-old state law because it would reduce drug inventories, operating costs and drug prices.

He added the U.S. Food and Drug Administration now has strict controls regulating all drugs on the market, erasing the need for the state antitrust law.

While denying there was a "direct conspiracy" between doctors and drug manufacturers to use brand name drugs, Ross said physicians are

deluged with advertising and free samples urging them to use specific brands and prescribe them—an estimated 80 per cent of the time—out of familiarity.

"Drug manufacturers spend about \$4,000 on each doctor nationally sending out these samples and advertisements," Ross said.

The Forbes bill is patterned after similar legislation passed in Kentucky and Maryland.

Smith said the MPA expects strong opposition from drug manufacturers and the state medical societies but said the United Auto Workers and consumers groups have indicated support.

Forbes' bill would also establish a Drug Equivalency Council to compile lists of identical drugs, and would stipulate the pharmacist must pass on to the consumer savings realized by using generic drugs.

Such a law would have no effect on the vast differences in drug prices from store to store. A similar bill died in committee last year.

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Lake Township Project Clean

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — A water treatment plant proposed as part of a \$3.5 million water system for Lake township in Berrien county will not cause air or water pollution, the state health department said Monday.

The proposed project was the first to be reviewed in an environmental study by the state.

"This is an awfully clean project" a health department official said.

Under township planning, the plant is to be built along the Lake Michigan shoreline to provide water for a township-wide system. It is to be financed from current township income and revenue generated from water sales.

Revenue for the township has been increasing sharply over the last few years because of construction of the \$625 million Donald C. Cook nuclear power plant and a \$15 million Hoover-Ugine wire rod development.

Location of the wire rod development within the township was instrumental in leading to planning for the water system.

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Editorial Page

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Dry Cleaning Political Campaigns

A Senate subcommittee hearing into the Watergate caper in trying to pick up where a criminal trial in federal court failed to reveal anything not already known about Republican spying on the Democratic headquarters in Washington, D. C., simply extends the exercise in what is loosely termed dirty politics — smearing the opponent rather than debating him on the issues, as called for by the code of Fair Campaign Practices.

Badly pummeled in the 1972 election and momentarily lacking any good arguments to throw at Nixon, the Democrats hope the Senatorial investigation will place Watergate's mastermind in or very close to the White House.

Though the probe supposedly will look into Democratic eavesdropping on GOP command posts, it will not take up similar tactics in the 1964 and 1968 campaigns.

While it would be refreshing if all campaigns stuck to the issues, and the candidates' ability to handle them, this is asking a lot from human nature. The propensity to gossip and the inclination to believe the worst are deeply ingrained in most of mankind. This makes it well nigh inevitable for politics to go off on personality rather than to dwell on the abstract, and in the process to pick up some tattletale gray.

For the most part the public has done a pretty good job of laundering by itself. Its acceptance or rejection of a smear campaign is not so much an object lesson in ethical considerations as it has been an evaluation of the candidates.

One of the earliest and most virulent mudslingings occurred in the 1928 Presidential race. Andrew Jackson was listed as an adulterer, a drunkard, a gambler, a liar, a murderer and a thief. The epithets bounced off him like so many ping pong balls because the country was moving west and into a new political center of gravity.

Grover Cleveland had the charge of fathering an illegitimate daughter thrown at him in his first campaign in 1884. Cleveland admitted its truth. His Republican opponent, James G. Blaine, dodged an allegation of being anti-Catholic. Cleveland won by a narrow 63,000 majority in over 9-7 million votes cast.

During Eisenhower's first run in 1952 some of his more spirited opponents stuffed hundreds of Michigan mailboxes with an election eve handbill stating Ike had died suddenly. For all the good it accomplished, those misguided souls might better have saved their time and money.

In 1950 Claude Pepper, an ardent New Dealer, sought renomination for the Senate in the Florida primary. George Smathers, a moderate, sensed Pepper's ultra liberalism might be wearing thin. Though Smathers had strength in the cities and the builtup areas, Pepper held sway out in the canebrakes.

Chicanery did carry the day in that dispute.

Some of Smathers' backers used the half truth with devastating effect. They circulated a report throughout the semi-

literate, backwoods country that Pepper had matriculated in college and had practiced nepotism. Further, he has a sister who was a thespian and a brother who was a certified homo sapiens.

Everything said was true. Pepper was a college graduate and once in office he put the relatives on the payroll. His sister was a devotee of the theatre and unquestionably his brother was a human being.

It was those fancy words, strange even to most high school graduates, that turned the trick.

Another instance of dirty play carrying the day took place in the 1946 Georgia gubernatorial race.

Gene Talmadge, one of the state's poorer governor's, hired a man remarkably resembling his opponent. This fake and two Negroes toured the countryside, the blacks smoking cigars, smacking the double on the back, and calling him, "Pal."

Talmadge won hands down.

Seven years ago Charles Percy took on the venerable Paul Douglas in the Illinois Senatorial contest.

Percy circulated a civil rights manifesto in the black ghettos.

Douglas' people promptly distributed its reproduction in the all white suburbs. The victory went to Percy who in all but so many words pointed to what had been apparent for some time to the Illinois voters. Douglas was old and losing his grip.

Last year a rumor sprang up in the New England states to the effect that the Army had officially censured George McGovern for cowardice in World War II.

McGovern who had been cited for bravery as a bomber pilot had to request the Army to release his service record to refute the canard.

The outright lie, however, made no difference in the outcome. McGovern had lost the country when he was nominated, possibly before he captured the Democratic national convention.

Abe Lincoln whose 164th birthday was celebrated yesterday jousting all of his political life in the mudslinging arena. He was an artist in knowing when to ignore a barb and when to turn it against an opponent.

FDR displayed the same skill during his long tenure in the White House.

Nixon has acquired much of that deftness since entering the White House, a feat which causes his critics to writhe all the more since they are unable to cope with it.

It would be great if the political dialogue contained more sense than it does sulphur and molasses.

Yet it would take whatever fun there is out of politics. An argument conducted along the lines of a college debating contest makes for dull listening.

Aside from the trickery practiced by a Talmadge, mudslinging rarely leaves scars and in a backhanded manner helps to lighten the dark corners.

Harry Truman had a word for it in his famous retort, "If you can't stand the heat, don't stay in the kitchen."

through a new law an innovation which offers at least a useful alternative.

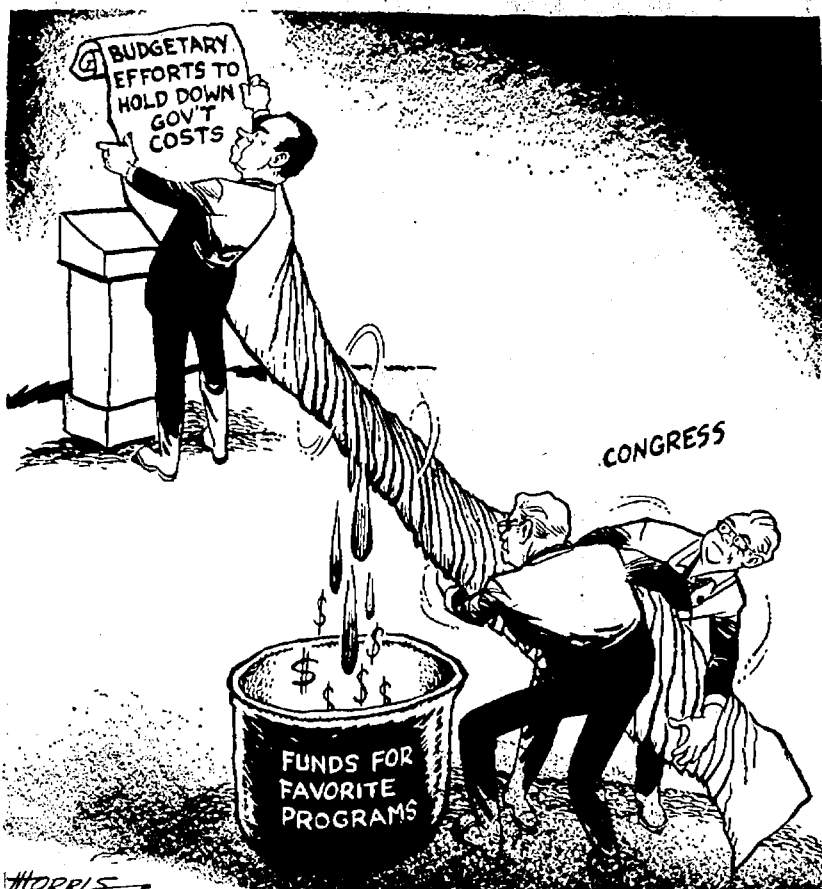
Rather than opting for incarceration or "make work" projects behind bars, magistrates may sentence offenders to work on community service projects up to 240 hours a year. Among the suggested tasks are painting for the poor and handicapped, maintenance work on parks and playgrounds, conservation assignments and picking up trash along roads.

The non-penal sentences are designed primarily for youthful offenders, and are meted out entirely at the discretion of the magistrates. It is an experimental device operating at only six centers throughout Britain.

Whether it will work to rehabilitate the lawbreaker should be known within a year. From the moment the first offender was sentenced under its unique provisions, an improvement was noted in the assigned work area. That is something else which seldom can be said for the penal system.

Pure bred Siamese cats are less common in Thailand (Siam) than in the United States, Europe, or Japan.

Not Without A Struggle



GLANCING BACKWARDS

SNOW REMOVAL BILL CUT IN HALF — 1 Year Ago —

St. Joseph City Manager Leland Hill at last night's city commission meeting presented figures proving what everybody already knows — that it has been a mild winter. As of this date one year ago, St. Joseph had spent just over \$50,000 and city employees had worked 1,000 hours overtime on ice and snow control, including salting and sanding of streets, and snow removal. At this point in the winter season, the St. Joseph bill for ice and snow control is only \$27,107.90 and just 150 overtime hours have been logged.

OKAY MERGER — 10 Years Ago — Chikaming Board of

EDITOR'S MAILBAG

DO OUR SCHOOLS BUILD CHARACTER?

In this birth month of two great men, it is very easy for us to sort of pat ourselves on the back and feel, contrasting present opportunities with past, that our children are so much more fortunate than those of Abraham Lincoln's day. Looking at the matter closely, are they so much better off?

Abraham Lincoln's childhood, lacking in so many comforts and necessities, seemed to develop a character so strong and courageous, that his name will never be forgotten. Does our present system of education foster the better traits in our children's character? Does the variety of interests it embraces take the place of the simple faith that guided him? Will our present day methods develop a strength of character that will send our children from school with the ability to face life and its problems? If so, we can be content. As parents, it is our duty to keep in touch with our schools and their methods, so we may know just what our children are getting.

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WANTS LIBERTY PRESERVED

In reference to the letter printed on Feb. 8, concerning the Liberty Theatre, I agree with Mr. Lee. I think the Liberty should be reopened, as a top grade theatre, as it is the only theatre in the area with a large screen and comfortable seating. The new theatres have very small screens and very small seating capacity. If not a theatre why couldn't it be opened and expanded into a fine civic auditorium for the twin cities. A parking ramp could be constructed close by, to alleviate parking problems.

Education unanimously approved the proposed three-way \$1.3-million plus south Berrien county school merger proposal.

The five-man board passed the steering committee's recommendations in a 2½-hour meeting. The proposed merger involves Chikaming, New Troy and Three Oaks schools.

BATTLE SEE-SAWS ON ROME BEACH — 29 Years Ago —

Fighting of a see-saw character but of lessened intensity has marked the allied perimeter at Anzio in the past 24 hours, allied headquarters announced today after weathering a weekend crisis.

Regarding the initiative in part after the blanketing of allied air support by bad

weather had given German armored units an edge, while British troops drove forward and recaptured a bottleneck bridge over the railway west of Carroceto, 10 miles north of Anzio, with the support of tanks.

TO MOVE — 39 Years Ago —

Miss Kate Hill, who came here in December to install a new filing system for Cooper, Wells & company, is moving from the Lake View hotel to an apartment at 1410 Lake Boulevard and will be joined here by her mother.

BOLD HOLD-UP — 49 Years Ago —

One of the boldest holdups ever staged in the twin cities occurred near the heart of the downtown section when a masked bandit shot Harold Harter, attendant at the Standard Oil station at Lake Boulevard and Broad street, robbing the station of about \$40. The bullet entered Harter's arm and crossed his chest.

WITHOUT WATER

A situation which for more than 24 hours left St. Joseph entirely without a water supply was partially relieved when the pumps of the Cooper, Wells & Co. plant were set in motion, forcing a 2½ inch stream from the river into the city mains. Work is being pushed to clear the intake pipe into the lake.

FIND SHOES AND SOCKS — 83 Years Ago —

Mr. Preston found a pair of ladies' shoes and stockings in the mud on the Wayne street hill this morning and they await identification at Preston & Collins office. It is supposed the shoes were lost by some woman who tried to walk up the hill and became mired in the clay.

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BERRY'S WORLD



"I'm not against women's lib, dear, but calling you a 'Fireperson' just sounds funny!"

Ray Cromley

Nixon Social

Aid Twice LBJ's



WASHINGTON (NEA) — There is much hypocrisy in the attacks on President Nixon's 1974 social and welfare budget.

Headlines in a prominent national newspaper say "Nixon Budget Lists 100 Programs That Would Be Limited or Ended to Attain a 'Safe' Spending Level... Large Social Cuts... Reductions Are Aimed at Big Poverty and Education Efforts..."

The story below that headline pursues the same theme. But a sentence well down in the piece discloses that, after all, "Total social spending in the new budget is higher than last year's." (So is obligatory authority.)

Actually, proposed direct and indirect spending in the civil rights area will rise by \$600 million, or 23 per cent. Drug abuse treatment and rehabilitation programs will almost double to \$274 million. Federal education outlays will increase \$600 million, or 6 per cent. There will be a step-up of 10 per cent, or \$10.8 billion, in income security programs, when Social Security is included, or an increase of \$5.2 billion, or 9 per cent, exclusive of Social Security.

Medicare expenditures will rise 26 per cent, but payments by the aged will also increase. Health programs exclusive of Medicare will rise \$1.3 billion, or 9 per cent. In manpower training and associated programs there will be a decrease in spending of half a billion dollars, or 9 per cent, with the elimination of emergency employment assistance which began in 1972 under Mr. Nixon.

Overall, the 1974 budget calls

for spending on social programs at well over twice the level of the last Johnson budget, whether Social Security and Medicare are included or not.

What is developing is a war over the wrong issues. The notion is being spread that if you are not for an old program (inherited from Johnson, Kennedy, Truman or Eisenhower days) you are against the poor, the ailing and the unfortunate. Yet experts this reporter has talked to inside and outside the administration, conservative and liberal alike, agree in private it would be well for all of us, including the poor and unfortunate, if a good many of these programs (or parts of them) went by the board.

Many are inefficient and cumbersome. Some do actual harm. Others are dreadfully expensive for the few they serve, or don't help many of the people they are designed for. Some were good in their time, but their usefulness has in large measure passed. Some were never needed.

But the danger is that this fight will degenerate into a shouting match over who has most empathy with the unfortunate.

The proper argument is over whether Mr. Nixon's new programs will be more effective or less effective than the old, whether program B should be increased at the expense or elimination of program A and whether in some cases any federal program at all is necessary. Is the government attempting to do something people can do better for themselves?

Jeffrey Hart

Would World Miss North Vietnam?



At the height of Nixon's bombing of North Vietnam, an enormous barrage of opinion seemed to be saying that North Vietnam was peculiarly exempt from such bombing, that it somehow enjoyed a special status, that Hue or Saigon could be rocketed but that Hanoi and Haiphong were, well, somehow special. There can be no other reading of the outrage over the B-52 bombing.

In this context, I wrote a column containing a sentence which evoked a great deal of heated mail. I would now like to return to that sentence, which I think is an accurate one, and also to speculate a bit on the response. I wrote that, as a matter of fact, "it would not matter much to history or mankind if North Vietnam ceased to exist."

This observation was made in the context of the special status accorded to North Vietnam by so-called "world

opinion": the view that North Vietnam could not be hit very hard, in contrast to South Vietnam, which — in the absence of protests from the World Council of Churches, Indira Gandhi, Olof Palme, and official moralists — can be pulverized every day of the week and twice on Sundays.

My sentence challenges that special status accorded to North Vietnam, and it proposes an objective historical judgment. After all, we know that nations actually do cease to exist, and we know that to be so from the very recent past, as well as from the long stretches of history. Nations have been destroyed root and branch, they have been absorbed, they have met a variety of fates. Lithuania, Latvia, and Estonia, for example, ceased to exist. Their populations were replaced by Russians. The Aztec and Inca empires were destroyed by the Conquistadors. In the Punic Wars, ancient Carthage finally succumbed and ceased to exist as a society. Both Athens and Sparta tasted final defeat. The history of mankind is littered with the graves of nations.

There is no reason to suppose that this process had suddenly halted in our own time. So, then, it is at least theoretically possible that, lo and behold, North Vietnam might cease to exist. I certainly did not, and do not, advocate a peremptory strike bringing about that result. I think that Nixon's tactics have been superb. Nevertheless, I reject the view that North Vietnam has some especially privileged status, and that its survival must be assured by world opinion.

The contribution of North Vietnam to civilization, over the past millennium, has been almost invisible. Its chief export, even long before it came a Communist state, has been invading infantry. North Vietnam has been at war with the inhabitants of South Vietnam almost continuously back through the 15th century. It is one of the most warlike states in the history of mankind.



PITCHING IN: First graders Stanley Quardokus, Janet Jasper (center) and Amy Schroeder help fill bags of clothing to be sent to the "Save the Children Federation" at Knoxville, Tenn. Pupils at Jefferson school, 2214 South State street, St. Joseph, have collected 50 large bags of clothing for both men, women and children. Principal Edison Hoffman said this is the second year the drive has gone over the top. The Tennessee organization pays the freight on the shipment and distributes the clothing to underprivileged and disaster struck Appalachia area residents. (Staff Photo)

BH Paving Costs \$220,419

Reductions Considered On 11th Street Job

The cost of extending Eleventh street in Benton Harbor from Gray avenue, nearly a quarter-mile south to Empire avenue, has been estimated at \$220,419.

But, unspecified cutbacks in the project probably could reduce the cost, according to City Manager Don Stewart.

Stewart Monday asked the city commission to put the matter into committee, so he could outline reduction possibilities. The commission agreed. How cutbacks could be made was not revealed.

Stewart said extension plans call for a 32-foot-wide concrete street, 1,420 feet long, and including curbs, gutters and sidewalks on both sides.

The \$220,419 estimated, based on engineering surveys, included \$166,668 for labor and materials; \$28,750 for engineering and inspection; and \$25,000 for contingencies.

The Eleventh street extension, scheduled to start this spring, is a companion project to construction of a \$400,000 All-Phase Electric Supply Co. headquarters at Riverview drive and Empire avenue. The eastern edge of the All-Phase property will border the new street.

In other matters, Commissioner Edward Merrill said his public safety committee has set a meeting with Rampart Ambulance Co. officials for 7:30 tonight, in city hall. Merrill indicated that the meeting is to review an application for a license to operate in Benton Harbor. The city commission last week denied the application, but stated that if Rampart would submit a new request it would be considered.

The commission apparently ended discussions on an updated jay-walking ordinance, when City Atty. Samuel Henderson reported that the present ordinance is adequate. Henderson said the ordinance spells out rights and duties of pedestrians, and provides for sentences of up to a \$300 fine and a maximum of 90 days in jail, or both, upon conviction. The matter came up after a state report that labeled Benton Harbor a leader in

vehicle-pedestrian accidents, on a per capita basis.

Approved was the low bid of First National City Bank of New York City for urban renewal project notes to run from March to June. The New

York bank offered the lowest interest rate of 3.16 per cent for the principal, totaling \$1,970,000.

Commissioner Carl Brown introduced Mrs. Eddie Johnson of 947 Jennings avenue, who

said she was an eyewitness to a Benton Harbor police officer with a paddy wagon chasing youngsters about 3:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 5. Mrs. Johnson called the alleged actions dangerous for the children, and

said the incident occurred in a lot near Talbot's drug store on Pipestone street. The commission agreed to investigate to determine if the incident occurred as reported, and if so, why.



EQUIPMENT DONATED: R. W. Patterson Co., a Benton township printing firm, has donated more than \$10,000 in graphics arts equipment to the Benton Harbor high school skill center. The equipment includes: a 35-inch single color offset press; a 6-station Rosback collator; a knife folder; an addressograph unit with

graphotype plus miscellaneous equipment. From left: Charles Brock, administrative assistant in charge of the center; LeRoy Patterson, president of Patterson Printing Co.; Robert Lane, director of vocational education for the school district; and LeRoy Guild, graphics arts instructor.

Cable TV, Station Proposed For BH

A franchise for a 21-channel Community Antenna Television (CATV) system to serve the Twin Cities area is being sought by Arrow Electronics and Construction Co., Inc., headquartered in Kalamazoo.

Earl Drake, firm president, presented plans to the Benton Harbor city commission Monday, saying that the 21 channels would include those now received from Chicago and South Bend, along with others,

including a local outlet in Benton Harbor that would broadcast just through the CATV system here.

The local station would be picked up only by CATV customers over the closed circuit.

The Benton Harbor and St. Joseph city commissions must approve such a franchise request, and in Benton Harbor the matter was referred to the city attorney for review. No request was made at the St. Joseph city commission meeting.

Drake said his firm constructed the CATV system now active in Ann Arbor, along with a system in Kalamazoo, Constantine, and White Pigeon. Similar requests have been made for a CATV franchise locally over the past few years, the last in 1970.

Drake termed CATV a boon to Benton Harbor, saying that at least half those employed in the system would be from the city. Noting that a tower and studio for local TV shows over the CATV system would also be in Benton Harbor, Drake said city residents, and students in the high school would be trained for production work, including handling cameras.

Charges would be similar to other areas: \$5.95 per month per hook-up; plus \$1 per month for each additional hook-up, such as to a second TV set in a home. For charter subscribers, there would be no installation fee. After the system became operative, a \$15 installation charge would be assessed to late joiners.



EARL DRAKE
Seeks CATV franchise

Schools To Note Black History

A special program "Footsteps of Freedom" at the Benton Harbor 7th and 8th grade center Friday will be one of many school programs this week in observance of National Negro History week.

The program to be presented by the center's club will consist of readings from blacks who have contributed to the civil rights movement. A skit and dance number will also be performed during two assemblies, one at 12:50 p.m. and one at 2:10 p.m.

Traffic Deaths

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
Feb. 13 State Police Count:
Last year 223
This year 220

SJ Orders Pedestrian Ramps To Give Handicapped More Mobility

A plan to greatly improve the mobility of the physically handicapped in the downtown St. Joseph shopping district was approved last night by St. Joseph commissioners.

An ordinance was passed calling for the construction of curb cuts in the downtown business district sometime this summer. While plans for the curb cuts have not been finalized, the ordinance gives the project a place on the city public works department's summer work schedule.

According to present plans, 20 curb cuts will be made at a cost of \$125 each. The slope of each ramp will be one-quarter inch per foot.

In approving the curb cuts,

St. Joseph joins a growing number of cities throughout the United States which have taken this step to help those who must travel in the business district in wheel chairs or on crutches.

The idea for curb cuts or pedestrian ramps at intersections was first presented to the commission several months ago by commissioner Joseph Hanley after his return from the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn.

Hanley, along with City Manager Leland Hill and Director of Public Works Jerry Heppner have checked with several cities around the country and have combined the thinking of these cities into the ramps to be built in St. Joseph.

Twin City Bus Run Is Resumed

Joseph R. Mammina, president of the Twin Cities Transit Lines, Inc., informed Benton Harbor and St. Joseph city commissioners last night that he has resumed the Fairplain-South St. Joseph bus route.

Mammina told the commissions Jan. 29 that the route would be "temporarily discontinued."

Mammina's action last night was the result of an order from the Michigan Public Service Commission.

A request for a state subsidy from mass transportation funds has been filed with the commission by Mammina. Distribution of the proceeds from a 2-cent gas tax hike is expected to start in May. A subsidy would also mean new buses for the twin cities, Mammina said.

Hanley's project was given support by Tom Harsen, past president of the Berrien chapter of the National Association of the Physically Handicapped and from Marjorie M. Stamm, physical therapist, Memorial Hospital, and president of the Board of Berrien county Easter Seal Society.

Harsen told the commission, "Our association feels that there is a need for this project not only in St. Joseph, but in every city in the United States. We would like to see it in downtown St. Joseph."

Mrs. Stamm wrote Commissioner Hanley, "I think the need is present and that this would be a step forward for

downtown St. Joseph. I support (the project) wholeheartedly and will do anything I can to assist you in seeing that this project is completed."

The commission moved to stop an alleged violation of the city's health ordinance reported by Building Inspector Carl Konklin.

City Atty. Arthur G. Preston Jr. asked for a resolution allowing the city the "clean up an unwholesome and dangerous health hazard at 1023 Michigan avenue."

Konklin showed commissioners pictures of the inside of the house which showed refuse piled almost ceiling high in all the rooms. With the resolution, the city

can take legal steps to remove the owners from the house for three days while the premises are cleaned.

City Atty. Preston said the house is owned by Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Krueger and is occupied by the owners, two adult sons and another person.

A request for a special use permit by George Jaeger was referred to the St. Joseph Planning Commission.

Jaeger has purchased a house at 720 State street and would like to turn it into insurance offices. The house stands on the northwest corner of Park and State streets.

The next St. Joseph city commission meeting will be held on Feb. 26.

Board Hears How Milliken Plan Affects SJ District

Under the new state school financing plan suggested by Governor Milliken St. Joseph public schools could get \$108,000 more for education by maintaining the present operating millage, Supt. Richard Ziehmmer told the St. Joseph board of education Monday night.

Ziehmmer reported on conferences with legislators earlier Monday and said the proposals will take months to pass the legislature. But if the school district will maintain its same level of local support the net gain would be somewhat in excess of \$100,000—assuming that enrollment remained the same—he predicted. The board met at Lakeview Gard school on Lakeview avenue in St. Joseph.

Milliken's school aid proposals are designed to equalize educational funds for districts with low tax base and at the same time reward those districts that try to help themselves, Ziehmmer explained.

The legislature is expected to take most of the summer to write the school bill, Ziehmmer said. Local units should an-

ticipate that when the final school aid bill is approved there won't be any time left to augment at local elections.

Part of St. Joseph's total of 28.676 mills is 4.3 mills which expires this year. It was this levy that Ziehmmer referred to.

In anticipation that there may be requests to conduct bingo games on school property

after bingo becomes legal in May, Ziehmmer proposed that the board adopt a policy in regard to bingo.

Three avenues were considered. One would determine if school facilities would be utilized for the games; another if educational organizations would be permitted to conduct the games

and thirdly if the district would acquire a license and permit games, retaining a portion of the proceeds.

Dr. Dean K. Ray, board president, and Ray Dumke, vice president, didn't see how the games fitted into the educational picture and said

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Low Interest Loans To End

Low interest federal loans for renovating homes under Benton Harbor's Edwards park neighborhood development program will be terminated after next June 30, it was learned Monday.

Leslie Cripps said he received word of the termination from the federal Housing and Urban Development agency (HUD). Cripps said there was no explanation, but he assumes that the move is in line with President Nixon's cutbacks in

various funded programs.

Involved in the termination are loans issued at 3 per cent interest to citizens who qualify. This is to enable repair projects to bring houses up to code standards.

Cripps said the termination does not include outright grants for similar projects. Loans and grants are for low income families. The loans are earmarked for those who can afford the 3 per cent interest, while the grants are issued to those, who cannot afford the interest, based on income.

Cripps said that alley paving projects, already contracted for in the Edwards park area, also will proceed this spring.

Since last October, between 35 and 40 housing inspections have been made in the Edwards park area, Cripps said.

In the Hall Park code enforcement area, loans and grants totaling about \$300,000 have been issued during the past 2½ years. Cripps said this program will be closed out May 15.



CARDS FOR ELDERLY: Members of Model Cities Young People's council Saturday constructed Valentine cards for presentation to elderly patients at Berrien General hospital, Berrien Center Sunday. They also presented a program spiritual songs, cookies and punch in first of once-monthly visits to elderly at BGH. Mrs. Louella Lange (standing, left) and Mrs. Catherine Marshburn are their advisers. Workers are (clockwise, from left) Richard Lange, Joyce Hall, Nora Hudson, Jeff Robinson, Paul Adams, Roger Lange, Ulister Cassell, Pearly Wallace, Maurice Henry, Evelyn Smith, Shirley Cassell, Rosemary Henry, Mary Hudson, Drusilla Adams, Charlene Newcomb. (Staff photo)

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Two Buchanan Men Have \$1 Million Goal



ALBERT ZINNINGER
Drawing entry

BY LYLE SUMERIX
South Berrien Bureau

BUCHANAN — When it comes to beating the odds in Michigan's first \$1 million state lottery Feb. 22, two Buchanan men already have come a long way.

Gerold Richards, 21, of Hills Haven mobile home park, Red Bud Trail north, and Albert Zinninger, 37, of 2375 Red Bud Trail south, are among 120 finalists in the state to qualify for the \$1 million drawing.

They each beat 1,000 to 1 odds

to become a finalist from the field of 120,000 contestants. The odds of two of the 120 finalists coming from a small community such as this are infinitesimal.

Now each man faces 120 to 1 odds to win the first \$1 million in the lottery which started last November. The drawing will be held in Lansing.

By becoming a finalist, each man is guaranteed at least \$1,000. In the \$1 million drawing, one person will win \$1 million, one \$100,000, one \$50,000, and seven \$5,000 each. Holders of \$25 winning tickets

in the weekly drawings become contestants in a \$1 million drawing.

What would Richards do with \$1 million?

"I couldn't really tell you," said Richards. "I'd probably pay my bills and then take off and roam the country."

The automatic tape machine operator at Clark Equipment company, Buchanan, won the \$25 in the second weekly drawing Dec. 7. That lucky ticket was purchased at Gambles store in Buchanan.

The 1970 Buchanan high school graduate first learned of

his good fortune when his wife, Dianna, read the list of lucky numbers in a story in this newspaper. The couple has two children. Richards, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Richards, Buchanan, has been employed at Clark since his 18th birthday Aug. 16, 1969.

Richards said his wife and father-in-law, George Rose, Madron Lake road, Buchanan, will make the trip to Lansing. "If I win that \$1 million, I'll never be able to drive home," he said.

What was Zinninger's reaction to becoming a finalist?

"At first I didn't believe it," he said. "I went down to Olde Village Inn in Buchanan where I bought my tickets and they called Kalamazoo to verify it."

Zinninger was a \$25 winner in the first weekly drawing of the lottery in November. He has bought two tickets each week since except one, and already has another \$25 winner to enter him in the second \$1 million preliminary drawing.

What would he do with \$1 million? Zinninger replied, "If I get lucky on the big one, I'll probably work for a couple

more years yet."

"There are several things I've been wanting to do—moose hunting in Canada, fishing in Alaska, and visit Hawaii."

"My wife, Phyllis, says the first thing will be a trip to Hawaii."

He is employed as part's manager of machinery division of Buchanan Co-ops, where he has been employed about 13 years.

Zinninger and his wife, Phyllis, are parents of three sons: Douglas, 12; Teddy, 11; and Gregory, 2½.



GEROLD RICHARDS
Also in drawing

Coloma Reaction

Dissident Students Will Be Sent Home

BY CLIFF STEVENS

Coloma Correspondent

COLOMA—Coloma school board last night adopted a new policy to deal with unauthorized student assemblies and demonstrations.

The new policy was drawn up with the assistance of Berrien Prosecutor Ronald J. Taylor as a result of a Feb. 2 demonstration in which 75 to 100 high school students protested parking conditions for students, tardiness policies and a smoking ban on the school grounds.

Under the policy, students taking part in future unauthorized student assemblies and demonstrations first be requested to go to their respective assignments.

If the students continue to be away from classes, parents of students participating will be contacted and requested to take the students home. Absence from class will be treated in accordance with the present school attendance policy.

As a follow up to the action,

individual student-parent conferences will be required before the students who were removed will be permitted to return to school.

School Supt. William Barrett said he received 80 telephone calls from area residents all displeased about the student demonstration.

Barrett reported that beginning today he and high school Principal Victor Wier would meet with every student in the high school during classtime to learn of gripes and report their findings back to the school board.

In other areas, board members approved participating in establishment of a Youth Services and Assistance bureau by the juvenile court. Under the plan, names of potential students who may become problem students will be referred to the bureau in an attempt to correct behavior before legal action is necessary.

Board member Dr. James Galles contended that the Berrien county Intermediate School district was "building a big empire down there

(Berrien Springs) and that each year its budget is submitted so near the March 1 deadline that nothing can be done to question the expenditures."

"They're just making themselves jobs," added Galles, and I think their proposed budget of \$408,000 should be voted down.

The county intermediate school budget must be approved by a majority of the school boards in the county.

Galles was named to represent the Coloma board at the budget hearing, slated for Feb. 27 at Berrien Springs.

Board member Richard Eastman was appointed to serve on an informational group seeking to set guidelines for negotiations. The group comprised of school board representatives from Berrien and Cass county will meet at a later date.

Barrett said by sending Eastman to the talks the board in no way is indicating any dissatisfaction with the present Coloma bargaining practices with the Coloma Education association over teacher salaries.

Mrs. Louise Dilts of the Coloma Gladiolus Festival committee appeared before board members requesting that a charge of \$285 for the use of school rooms for the March 17 Miss Coloma contest be eliminated. During the past three years, the festival committee has not been charged for the use of the school. Board members, including Barrett, thought the Southwestern Michigan Gladiolus society was sponsoring the contest. Both groups are separate and not directly related.

Ronald Clark, assistant school superintendent, informed board members that two new school buses will be needed for the upcoming school year and was granted permission to purchase a new public address system for Washington school from Sound Engineering, Benton Harbor, for \$2,440.



FRANCIS BUESCHER
New Du-Wel Manager

South Haven. They have five children.

Du-Wel also has plants at Bangor, Dowagiac and Hartford.



FREDERICK O. NORLIN
Announces Retirement

Eau Claire Okays School Sewer Hookup Proposal

EAU CLAIRE — A proposal which would permit hookup of the new Eau Claire high school to the village sewer system was unanimously approved by the village council last night.

The proposal will be submitted to the board of education for consideration, according to Marvin LaVanway, village president.

If accepted by the board, he said, it would clear the way for hookup of the school to the system.

LaVanway said the proposal would involve an "advance payment" by the school district on sewer bills the village says the school system owes.

The school board has held that rates charged by the village are unfair and discriminatory and has filed suit against the village challenging the rates.

Trial is scheduled to begin Feb. 27 before Judge Chester J. Byrns in Berrien county circuit court.

LaVanway said that any advance payment made by the school system would not prejudice the court case and that the village council agrees that the litigation should determine the fairness of village sewer rates.

He said, however, that the village has a payment due at the end of the month on the \$24,266 project which extended village sewer lines to the school site, which lies outside village limits on Hochberger road. Unless the school district makes a payment, he said, the village will be forced to seek a delay in meeting its contracted obligation.

The proposal, he said, also includes an acceptance by the

village of a request by the schools for annexation to the village.

The school board, meeting separately in its regular monthly session, voted 5 to 2 to seek annexation of the school site to the village. Voting against were board members George Sharpe and John Glassman.

Under the village's sewer ordinance, service cannot be extended outside village limits.

Request for the sewer connection came to the council in a letter from Donald McAlvey, superintendent of schools.

"I'd like to see it (the new high school) hooked up," LaVanway said. "I'd like to resolve the question. Our approach seems reasonable to me."

He said that if the court holds that the village rates are unfair to the school district that any excess "advance" payment made by the school system would be applied to future bills.

LaVanway said the only payment made by the school system to the village for sewer service now provided to schools within the village was \$7,222 last May.

At that time, the village claimed the school system owed some \$48,000 for sewer service provided over a period of three years and four or five months.

That sum since has increased to about \$60,000, LaVanway said.

In other business, council approved a computer system for the village's annual tax bills and notices with First National Bank of Southwestern Michigan, Niles branch. The bank will prepare the notices and bills for about 400 property descriptions for \$200 in the first year.

In subsequent years, preparation will cost the village about \$125 annually. Previously, notices and bills had been prepared manually by the assessor and treasurer.

An anti-blight ordinance dealing with junk and trash on village property also was approved on first reading.

South Haven Superintendent School Chief Norlin Retiring On July 1

BY TOM RENNER

South Haven Correspondent

SOUTH HAVEN — Frederick O. Norlin, superintendent of the South Haven public schools system since 1955, announced last night he plans to retire at the end of the current school year.

Norlin, who announced his plans to the school board, will serve as superintendent until July 1, and will then act as a consultant to the new superintendent until Sept. 30.

The board voted to release Norlin from a contract that was to have extended through the 1973-74 school year.

"I am in good health and have decided it is time to try something else," Norlin said in his resignation statement.

Norlin, 62, climbed through the ranks to become superintendent of the largest school system in Van Buren county. He was hired as a teacher of mathematics and physics at South Haven high school in 1942. He was appointed principal of the high school in 1950 and assumed the responsibilities of assistant superintendent in 1954. He succeeded L.C. Mohr as superintendent a year later.

When he became superintendent the district had 1,994 students and a faculty of 74. This year the district has 3,388 students and a faculty of 154. Seventeen rural districts were annexed to the South Haven system between 1956 and 1967. The growth necessitated the construction of an addition to the Lincoln elementary school in 1956 and the new L.C. Mohr high school in 1961.

"These are but the visible signs of achievement, but they bespeak of Mr. Norlin's commitment to the demands of his job and his dedication to the needs of the community," said board member Mrs. Betty Davis who offered a statement of appreciation on behalf of the entire board of education.

"From my own knowledge I attest to these last restless years when he has been pressured from all sides by both the reasonable and the unreasonable. It is to his everlasting merit that he has never reacted in anger nor even in discourtesy. Rather he has persevered in his resolution to serve the best interests of the whole system," said Mrs. Davis.

Norlin received his bachelor's degree from Hope college in 1936 and his master's degree from the University of Michigan in 1942. He started his career as a teacher at the Berlin high school in Marne.

During World War II he was director of the Veterans Institute in South Haven.

He is a past president of the South Haven Kiwanis club and for years has coordinated Memorial Day activities in the community.

In an interview with this newspaper Norlin reviewed his 31 year career in the South Haven school system. He offered these observations:

"Basic education hasn't changed nor have people changed. The atmosphere of education has become more liberal because parents want

more individualized instruction service for their children."

His biggest regret is that he believes it is not feasible at this time to create a professional growth plan for the South Haven district.

The professional growth plan would recognize superior teachers through rewards such as financial stipends. The plan has been utilized by other school districts as an incentive to teachers who have already received tenure and are locked into the school system's salary schedule.

The committee would not explain why they believed the plan was not feasible.

The board adopted a new policy covering regulating the management of funds raised by student organizations. The new policy allows the student clubs to sell items through their groups in the school building with the permission of the principal. Clubs are still prohibited from conducting fund raising activities outside the school building.

A joint committee of board members and representatives



SPOKESMAN OF YEAR: Mrs. Laura Heuser, president of Women for Survival of Agriculture in Michigan, receives award from agriculture supply firm and magazine honoring her as "Spokesman of the Year" for agriculture in 1972. Making presentation is Charles Lupsha, of Perth Amboy, N.J., Chevron regional manager. Mrs. Heuser also received check for \$200. (Ralph Gordon photo)

WSAM President Presented Award

WATERVLIET — Mrs. Laura Heuser of Hartford last night was presented a national award from an agricultural chemical firm and trade magazine honoring her as "Spokesman of the Year" for agriculture in 1972.

Mrs. Heuser, president of the Women for the Survival of Agriculture in Michigan, was selected for the honor by Farm Chemicals magazine and Chevron Chemicals company. The company and magazine sponsored a national competition to find a recipient for the award.

Mrs. Heuser will be featured on the cover of the March edition of the magazine, according to its editor. The magazine is a trade journal of the agricultural chemical industry, the editor said.

Mrs. Heuser is the first

winner of the award, which is expected to be presented annually.

Mrs. Heuser won because of the number and excellence of talks on behalf of agriculture she has given from Colorado to Toronto, according to the editor.

Mrs. Heuser was one of the original members of the founding chapter of WSAM, and is the group's second president.

She was nominated for the spokesman award by her daughter, Wanda, a horticulture student at Michigan State University, East Lansing.

Mrs. Heuser herself holds a degree in horticulture from Michigan State.

Mrs. Heuser and her husband, Wallace, own and operate Hilltop Orchards and Nurseries Inc., Hartford.

Du-Wel Appoints New GM

SOUTH HAVEN — Francis Buescher has been named general manager of Du-Wel Metal Product's Inc. South Haven plant, Robinson Metal Products.

Buescher previously was general manager of Gulf and Western Industries' Cramco division plant in Amory, Miss. He replaces Walter Roberge who resigned.

Small zinc and aluminum castings are made at the South Haven plant.

Buescher and his wife, Toni, reside at 505 Prospect street.

Watervliet Board Gives Pay Hike To School Chief

WATERVLIET—A \$900 pay increase for Watervliet Schools Supt. Samuel Gravitt was approved last night by the board of education.

The raise will bring his salary to \$23,000 during the first year of a three-year contract to run through June 30, 1976. His pay for the remaining two years of the contract will be negotiable according to George Lawton, board president.

Gravitt currently receives \$22,100. In his new contract he will also receive four weeks paid vacation, an increase of one week over his old contract.

Provisions remaining the same in his contract are fully paid family medical insurance, reimbursement for use of his car on official school business, funds for attending professional meetings and 12

days of sick leave. In other business three board members were appointed to a committee to study the English curriculum revision program proposed by the English faculty.

Revisions would center on grades 6-12 and offer different alternatives in courses for the students. Named to the study committee were Mary Lou Long, Willie E. Griffin and Fred Hamlin.

Harold Zepik was appointed to the Berrien Intermediate school district budget hearing and Griffin to the Berrien-Cass School Board association task force.

Lawton and Gravitt agreed to meet with Al Steffens of the Music Boosters to plan a program of musical instrument replacement. Steffen, on behalf of the Boosters, offered ad-

ditional help with the school's music program that now involves 571 students.

Board authorization was given to Doyle Anderson, assistant superintendent, to seek bids on three new school buses for the 1973-74 school year.

A bid of \$1,282.50 for carpeting a middle school double room was accepted from the Migala Rug company. The bid is for 183 yards of carpeting in room 218, used by two and three classes at a time for math sessions.

The resignation of Mrs. Candice Hunter, an elementary remedial reading teacher was accepted effective Jan. 19. She resigned for medical reasons.

Mrs. Mary Jean Talt was hired last night to replace her for the second semester.